

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The instant supplemental amendment corrects printing errors which occurred in Paragraph No. [0056] of the substitute specification. The mathematical operators in the formula for the zirconia oxide mixed crystal have been corrected to read as originally filed.

An earnest and thorough attempt has been made by the undersigned to resolve the outstanding issues in this case and place same in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or feels that a telephone or personal interview would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues which remain in this application after consideration of this amendment, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone the undersigned and the same would be gratefully appreciated.

If any fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,
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